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A 60-minute TeleConference/Live Audio Webcast

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The Supreme Court's 2005 *Aetna v. Davila* decision reframed but far from settled the road map for determining when ERISA preempts state law malpractice claims. Five years later, the courts continue to define when and how ERISA PREEMPTION affects state malpractice and misfeasance claims against accountants, lawyers, health care providers, actuaries and others. This distinguished panel will discuss and share perspectives on the evolving precedent and its implications on these and other state malpractice claims from the perspective of plaintiffs and defendants involved in these claims.

Moderator: **Cynthia Marcotte Stamer**, *Curran Tomko Tarski LLC*, Dallas, TX

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